

POLICE PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION of ONTARIO

2012 ANNUAL MEETING, October 17, 2012

DURHAM REGIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

PPAO President Paul Bailey called the meeting to order at 0900 hrs.

Moment of Silence

Durham Regional Police Association Vice-President Gary Foxwell brought greetings on behalf of the DRPA and delegates were also welcomed by DRPPA President Dale Allen.

President Paul Bailey introduced special guests MROO President Bill Harford and PRO President Barry Moyle.

New Business – None

Minutes of the 2011 PPAO AGM and 2012 PPAO EBM were circulated and approved. ***Moved by Colin Vrooman, seconded by Terry Sullivan. All in favour.***

Sun Life Benefits Plan

Sun Life representatives Greg Gallipeau and Joey Raheb made a presentation to PPAO delegates during which they outlined the latest enhancements and upgrades to the PPAO Health Care Benefits Plan. The formal presentation was followed by a Q and A and a floor discussion on how to best market the plan to additional police pensioners and their families.

OMERS

PPAO President Paul Bailey updated members on current issues at OMERS including potential/hypothetical plan changes and board governance. Delegates were advised that attempts to introduce an Ideal Governance Model at OMERS had been abandoned. He further reported that OMERS was no longer facing the threat of coming under the provincial *Jointly Sponsored Pension Plan* umbrella.

OMERS Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer Pat Crowley presented an overview on recent returns and expected investment trends at OMERS. Mr. Crowley reported on the current \$7.5 Billion deficit and what must happen to eliminate it. He further cited life expectancy and a shrinking contribution base, along with a continuing slumping economy, as some of the challenges that must be overcome.

Arising from the OMERS discussion the following **motion** was presented:

The PPAO provide support for the OMERS initiative to change provincial and/or federal legislation allowing Addition Voluntary Contributions (AVCs) to be rolled into Retirement Income Funds (RIFs) within OMERS at age 71. ***Moved by Jim Garchinski, seconded by Dennis Ewaniuk. All in favour.***

Canadian Federation of Pensioners

Durham Police Pensioners President Dale Allen provided delegates with an overview and update on this organization's efforts to publicly promote the benefits of defined benefits pension plans.

PPAO Constitution and Bylaws

PPAO Director Colin Vrooman reported on the Constitution Review Committee's work over the last several months and moved the acceptance of the 2012 Constitution Amendments as presented by the Committee.

Following a brief discussion two new amendments were proposed.

Section 4.02 (a) A member is any person who is defined as a "Member in Good Standing in the Constitution of their Affiliate Member Association.

Amendment

*Section 4.02 (a) A member is any person who is defined as a **bona fide member** of their Affiliate Member Association. **Moved by Don Ross seconded by Jim Garchinski – all in favour.***

Section 12.01(b) There shall be three signing authorities all of whom must be members of the Board of Directors. All cheques shall be signed by two signing authorities.

Amendment

*12.01(b) There shall be **four** signing authorities all of whom must be members of the Board of Directors. All cheques shall be signed by two signing authorities. **Moved by Don Ross seconded by Jim Garchinski. All in favour.***

Motion

The 2012 PPAO Constitution and Bylaws be approved as amended. Moved by Colin Vrooman, seconded by Jim Garchinski. All in favour.

Membership Education/Information

Members were provided with two separate presentations, the first of which focused on Sleep Apnea and was presented by Kristina and Anton Namolonan from *FPM Solutions CPAP &*

Medical Solutions. **CPAP** is an important treatment for sleep apnea, but it's not without its frustrations. Learn how to avoid uncomfortable masks and other common CPAP problems.

Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) therapy is a common treatment for sleep apnea. It includes a small CPAP machine that supplies a constant and steady air pressure, a hose, and a mask or nose piece. Common problems with CPAP include a leaky mask, trouble falling asleep, and a dry mouth or nose.

The second presentation on Community Care Access was presented by Maureen McGowan from Community Outreach and Education.

Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer's Report was circulated for approval. ***Moved by Dale Allen, seconded by Colin Vrooman. All in favour.***

Honourary Members

The President recommended that Honourary PPAO Memberships be presented to John Campbell and Robert Weech of the Ontario Retired Professional Firefighters Association. ***Moved by Phil Slack, seconded by Roger Dodson. All in favour.***

Elections

Immediate Past President Terry Sullivan chaired the election process. Elected to a two-year term as Vice-President, Harry De Jong. Elected to a two-year term as Director, Mike Omilon. Elected to a two- year term as Treasurer, Colin Vrooman. Following the elections PPAO President Paul Bailey thanked Joan Morrison for her long service as PPAO Treasurer. Joan had previously notified the Board of Directors she would not be seeking another term.

The President adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.